

### The Tragedie of Hamlet

*Lord.* The King, and Queene, and all are comming downe.

*Ham.* In happy time.

*Lord.* The Queene desires you to vse some gentle entertainment to Laertes, before you fall to play.

*Ham.* Shee well instructs me.

*Hora.* You will loose my Lord.

*Ham.* I doe not thinke so, since he went into France, I haue bene in continuall practise, I shall winne at the ods; thou would'st not thinke how ill all's heere about my hart, but it is no matter.

*Hora.* Nay good my Lord.

*Ham.* It is but foolery, but it is such a kinde of gamgiuing, as would perhapes trouble a woman.

*Hora.* If your minde dislike any thing, obay it. I will forstal their repaire hether, and say you are not fit.

*Ham.* Not a whit, we defie augury, there is speciall providence in the fall of a Sparrowe, if it be, tis not to come, if it be not to come, it will be now, if it be not now, yet it well come, the readines is all, since no man of ought he leaues, knowes what ist to leaue betimes, let be.

*A table prepar'd, Trumpets, Drums and officers with Cushions,  
King, Queene, and all the state, Foiles, daggers,  
and Laertes.*

*King.* Come Hamlet, come and take this hand from me.

*Ham.* Giue me your pardon sir, I haue done you wrong, But pardon't as you are a gentleman, this presence knowes, And you must needs haue heard, how I am punnished With a sore distraction, what I haue done That might your nature, honor, and exception Roughly awake, I heare proclame was madnesse, Wast Hamlet wronged Laertes? neuer Hamlet.

If Hamlet from himselfe be tane away,  
And when hee's not himselfe, dooes wrong Laertes,  
Then Hamlet dooes it not, Hamlet denies it,  
Who dooes it then? his madnesse. Ist be so,  
Hamlet is of the faction that is wronged,  
His madnesse is poore Hamlets enemie,  
Let my disclaiming from a purpos'd euill,  
Free me so farre in your most generous thoughts  
That I haue shot my arrowe ore the house

### Prince of Denmark

And hurt my brother.

*Laer.* I am satisfied in nature, Whose motiue in this case should stirre To my reuendge, but in my tearmes o I stand a loose, and will no reconcilem Till by some elder Maisters of knowne I haue a voyce and president of peace To my name vngord: but all that time I doe receaue your offerd loue, like loue And will not wrong it.

*Ham.* I embrace it freely, and will franckly play.

Giue vs the foiles.

*Laer.* Come, one for me.

*Ham.* Ile be your foile Laertes, in mine Your skill shall like a starre i'th darkenes Strick fiery of indeed.

*Laer.* You mocke me sir.

*Ham.* No by this hand.

*King.* Giue them the foiles young Hamlet. You knowe the wager.

*Ham.* Very well my Lord.

Your grace has layed the ods a'th we

*King.* I do not feare it, I haue seen But since he is better, we haue therof

*Laer.* This is to heauy: let me see a

*Ham.* This likes me well, these foiles

*Oth.* I my good Lord.

*King.* Set me the stoopes of wine v If Hamlet giue the first or second hit, Or quit in answere of the third exch Let all the battlements their ordnar The King shall drinke to Hamlets bet And in the cup an Onixe shall lie th Richer then that which foure succel In Denmarks Crowne haue worne And let the kettle to the trumpet sp The trumpet to the Cannoneere wi The Cannons to the heauens, the h